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3W, CON DAO ISLAND (Vietnam). The "DX News Sheet" reports Yuki, JI6KVR, will activate a new Vietnamese IOTA **October 14-20th**. This island is in the **Con Son Group** (b). The callsign was not given. QSL via JJ6LXX (JA) and EA5KB (others).

5A, LIBYA. By the time you read this, an Austrian group here will activate their **5A28** operation. Activity should last **until September 7th**. QSL via OE2GRP or bureau.

5H, TANZANIA. Harald, DL7VSN, informs OPDX that he will be traveling to Uroa/Zanzibar from **September 7-27th**. He has already received his licence from the Tanzanian Communication Commission. The callsign he will use is **5H/DL7VSN**. He added that Fabio, 5H1FS/I4UFH, was the last person to receive a real Tanzanian callsign for a temporary stay. Harald plans to be active on 80-10 meters mostly in CW. If conditions are right (along with the palmtrees and other factors), he will also try to be active on 160 meters. QSLs are OK via the bureau. After his travel, Harald will publish the log on his WEB homepage: <http://home.t-online.de/home/0309314613-0001/dl7vsn.htm>

5X, UGANDA (160 meters!). Paul, **5X4F**, states, "Yes I'm still set up for **160**. The band is very noisy yet. I will start listening 30 minutes before sunrise after September 9. Sunrise is approx. 0350z on the 9th and 0346z on the 30th. I also get on some times between 2300-2400z, if I'm not too tired. My usual frequency is 1.824."

A4, OMAN. The "DX News Sheet" reports that Chris, SP5EXA (ex A71CW), will be going to Oman on **September 11th** where he will be active for the next five years. He is currently waiting for a licence.

A4, OMAN (ROARS 25th ANNIVERSARY). The Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society (ROARS) will celebrate its **25th Anniversary** (Silver Jubilee) from **October 1st to December 31st**. All A4 stations should use their callsigns followed by **/SJ** to commemorate the 25th

anniversary of the Society. The Society will be operating a **Special Event Station** at their site on **Athaiba Beach** under the call sign **A43XXV** during the period from **December 17-21st**. To commemorate their Silver Jubilee, the Society has introduced the "ROARS Silver Jubilee Award" for the Radio Amateurs worldwide. ADDED NOTE: Details on this award will be sent to all OPDX InterNet Subscribers (Thanks to 4X6UO).

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. "The Daily DX" reports that David, K3LP, will be operating from **November 22nd to December 2nd** as **A61AJ**. Activity will be on all bands CW and SSB. David will also be an entry in the **CQ World Wide CW DX Contest** as a single operator on all bands with two rigs. QSL for this operation only to K3LP (ex AA6DC.)

AP, PAKISTAN (Update). Hiro, JA1EZM, continued to be active as **AP2AP** despite the message put out by the PARS stating he was not properly licensed (refer to OPDX.318). However, Jun, JA7SSB, states he has talked to Hiro and he insists that his license is good. Hiro will expand his operations during September.

CU, AZORES. Maike, DL4XS, and Dieter, DL3KDV, will be active from here again as **CU2/DL4XS** and **CU2/DL3KBV**, from **September 1-15th**. Look for them on 20 and 160 meters. QSL to CBA (via bureau).

FS, SAINT MARTIN. Eddie, EA3NY, will be active as **FS5PL** during the **CQWW RTTY Contest (September 27-28th)**. He will try to use more than 150w during this contest, but he has a problem with power lines. Eddie will use 3 different modems, 3 different DSP filters, 3 different computers, and he will be able to receive on 3 different stations on different frequencies at the same time. He suggests to PLEASE BE PATIENT, he knows that most people need FS in RTTY and he will do his best.

HV, VATICAN. With the efforts of IK0FVC and IOJBL, look for **HV4NAC** to be active during the **1997 CQWW RTTY Contest (Sept. 27-28)**. Other operators will include W6OTC, K6AW and W6OSP. Before the contest, look for activity on CW and SSB as time permits.

J2, MOUCHA ISLAND (Djibouti). Dominique, J28YC, and some others will be active as **J28YC/P** from his Djiboutian island located in the Gulf of Aden Group (IOTA **AF053**). This will be a short operation from **September 3rd** (on the afternoon) to **September 5th**. They will be active on all bands (except WARC bands) on SSB.

KH3, JOHNSTON ISLAND. Just a reminder that Al, KK5ZX, should be active from here by the time you read this. He will be on the island **until October 1st**. Activity will be from the club station on 160-10 meters, mainly CW, but there will be some activity on SSB. QSL via K3SX, 5008 Red Hill Road, Keedysville, MD 21756 USA.

KP5, DESECHEO ISLAND. Several DX bulletins report that Vance's, W5IJU, request for landing permission on KP5 has been **denied** due to "unsafe and dangerous conditions on the island".

QSL INFO AND NEWS....

- Michael Taylor, **NF4W**, of South Carolina (USA), states he would like to become a **QSL manager** for any DX station. He also states he has plenty of free time on his hands and

could handle the bulk and would guarantee 24 hour turn around to U.S. stations once contact was confirmed by the DX station's log. Use of E-mail for log confirmation would be preferred. If you are interested, Michael can be reached via E-mail at:

nf4w@mindspring.com

- Declan, EI6FR, from the WestNet DX Group, informs everyone he is still awaiting the delivery of the **GI/EI7NET Rathlin Island (EU-122)** QSL cards. These cards are being printed in Italy by IK1MPL. As soon as he has the cards he will immediately answer the direct requests followed shortly thereafter by a bureau posting to all stations in the log. "Thank you for your continued patience," Best 73's de Declan EI6FR
- All direct QSL requests for **HP1XBI/4** for **Bocas del Toro (IOTA NA088)** have been sent out.
- F6BFH states he has sent all direct QSL requests for **G/F6BFH** from **Scilly Isles** operation (during last July) have been sent out.
- F5LGQ states he has sent all direct QSL requests out for **XT2DB**.
- QSLs for **OL7HQ** (IARU HF Contest 1997) go to QSL Manager OK1MD via the bureau or direct: Mlados Doucha, OK1MD, Kodanska 87, CZ-10100 Praha 10, Czech Rep.
- **CO8TW** can now be QSLed via W3HNK, Joe Arcure, P.O. BOX 73, Edgemont, PA 19028. Juan, CO8TW, can still be contacted at: Juan Carlos Veranes, PO BOX 8, Santiago de Cuba CP 90100, CUBA or via InterNer E-mail at: co8tw@co8rci.uo.edu.cu
- Didier, F5NZO, states he is still QSL Manager for **FT4YD** (1991), **FT5XL** (1997), **PA/F5KBF** (1992) and also **OY/ TF/** and **TF7/F6AMI** (1991). He can be reached via E-mail at F5NZO@AOL.COM.
- **WP2Z**, the Windwood Contest Station on St. Croix, USVI, is a very active ham radio rental property which normally has a different operator for each major contest. This means that there is usually a different QSL Manager for each operation. Well, the QSL confusion may have come to an end. Steve Wheatley, KU9C, has agreed to become the QSL Manager for WP2Z. Please QSL all future WP2Z operations via KU9C. They hope that directing all QSL requests to one manager will end the confusion regarding WP2Z QSL routes. Please forward all WP2Z QSL requests to Steve at either: POB 5953, Parsippany, NJ 07054 or via the bureau.
- **QSL Online!** The following was written by Goran, SM0DRD: "An interesting idea is developing at **SK0UX**. You may search logs for your QSOs and then download QSLs immediately to your own printer. We believe this is a first and the concept has already generated a lot of interest. The potential savings are enormous. We have already received requests from hams who want to set up their own QSL Servers and have one beta test site in the works. QSLs special event calls which we have used are SK0HQ and SK0RQ as well as club members are also available. During the CQ WW CW in November, we will make a field test on making QSLs from our expedition to Cuba (T48RCT) available within hours after your contact! Logs will be 'uploaded' to Sweden to the QSL Server via AMTOR. This concept conserves trees, time, and many other good things. Check it out for yourself at <http://ham.te.hik.se/clubs/sk0ux>. The QSLs are typographically the same as a 'snail-mailed' card and may have pictures. Suggestions are very welcome since new possibilities are developing almost daily, E-mail to: goran@tjansteforbundet.se."

T9, BOSNIA (Update). Kent, WT0Q, has sent the following update to the information that was reported in OPDX.319 last week. QSLs for **T9/WT0Q** need to go to his home call, WT0Q, which is okay in all callbooks for the past 5 years. Dale, N2NDY (T9/N2NDY), needs his QSLs sent to DA2DM, his German call, where he will return to this fall. Dale is currently using a

dipole at 50 feet with an MFJ Tuner. His radio is a TS-450SAT. Kent is using an IC-761 into a Hygain DX77 vertical at 8 feet, also via an MFJ tuner. They will be on the air as their respective schedules permit for the next 4 to 8 weeks.

TJ, CAMEROON. Cecil, NW8F, who is the QSL Manager for Mark, **TJ1US** (ex-J5UAI), provides the DX community with the following schedule which will be Fridays only for now with Saturday coming at a later date:

1800-2100z - 14085 kHz RTTY
2100-2130z - 10104 kHz CW
2130-2200z - 14050 kHz CW
0200-0400z - 7020 kHz CW
0400-0500z - 3510 kHz CW

Nothing has been mentioned about 160 meters yet, but Scott, K8SM, is in communication with NW8F to help or advise in obtaining something for 160 meters. For those of you that have interest in 160 and would like to help Mark get some kind of antenna, contact NW8F@JUNO.COM.

TY, BENIN. Sigi, DJ4IJ, is now active **until September 19th** as **TY1IJ**. Activity has been on 40, 30 and 20 meters, CW and SSB. QSL via DK8ZD.

V3, BELIZE. "The 59(9) DXReport" states Jay, K0BCN, will sign **V31MX** from **Caye Caulker, October 21-29th**. Activity will be on 20-10 meters, CW and SSB.

V4, ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS. The "DX News Letter" reports Joe, **V47CA**, will be active again around the **CQWW DX CW Contest** between **November 16th and December 1st**. QSL via homecall VE3BW.

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Start looking for Pres, N6SS, to be active once again from here as **VQ9SS**. Activity will last **until November**. Look for him to be active on 160 meters. QSL via CBA.

ZG, GIBRALTAR. Martyn, G3RFX, will be active as **ZG2FX** from **September 3-10th**, to help celebrate **Gibraltar National Day**. Outside the celebration, he will sign as **ZB2FX**. QSL to home call.

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OPDX SPANISH WEB SITE. (provide by "QTC Magazine" and Tony Pernas, EA1CSI):

<http://www.intercom.es/qtc/qtcopdx.htm>

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